

Exodus 12:21-36 **Passover and its preparation**

21 Then Moses called for all the elders of Israel and said to them, "Pick out and take lambs for yourselves according to your families, and kill the Passover lamb. 22 And you shall take a bunch of hyssop, dip it in the blood that is in the basin, and strike the lintel and the two doorposts with the blood that is in the basin. And none of you shall go out of the door of his house until morning. 23 For the LORD will pass through to strike the Egyptians; and when He sees the blood on the lintel and on the two doorposts, the LORD will pass over the door and not allow the destroyer to come into your houses to strike you. 24 And you shall observe this thing as an ordinance for you and your sons forever. 25 It will come to pass when you come to the land which the LORD will give you, just as He promised, that you shall keep this service. 26 And it shall be, when your children say to you, 'What do you mean by this service?' 27 "that you shall say, 'It is the Passover sacrifice of the LORD, who passed over the houses of the children of Israel in Egypt when He struck the Egyptians and delivered our households.' " So the people bowed their heads and worshipped. 28 Then the children of Israel went away and did so; just as the LORD had commanded Moses and Aaron, so they did.

29 And it came to pass at midnight that the LORD struck all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh who sat on his throne to the firstborn of the captive who was in the dungeon, and all the firstborn of livestock. 30 So Pharaoh rose in the night, he, all his servants, and all the Egyptians; and there was a great cry in Egypt, for there was not a house where there was not one dead.

31 Then he called for Moses and Aaron by night, and said, "Rise, go out from among my people, both you and the children of Israel. And go, serve the LORD as you have said. 32 Also take your flocks and your herds, as you have said, and be gone; and bless me also." 33 And the Egyptians urged the people, that they might send them out of the land in haste. For they said, "We shall all be dead." 34 So the people took their dough before it was leavened, having their kneading bowls bound up in their clothes on their shoulders. 35 Now the children of Israel had done according to the word of Moses, and they had asked from the Egyptians articles of silver, articles of gold, and clothing. 36 And the LORD had given the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they granted them what they requested. Thus they plundered the Egyptians. NKJV

Facts Revealed:

- ✧ Moses instructed the elders of Israel about the Passover and its preparation, concerning:
 - ✧ The lambs, the blood on the doorposts and lintels, with instructions that they should not go out the door of their houses until morning.
 - ✧ Moses told them that, "God will pass through to strike the Egyptians, and when He sees the blood on the lintel and on the two doorposts, Yehowah will pass over the door and not allow the destroyer to come into your houses to strike you."
 - ✧ Moses instructed them to observe Passover as an ordinance for you and your sons forever, and when they come into their land which Yehowah has promised, they shall keep this service as a testimony to all generations.
 - ✧ When the children ask what it means, you shall say, "It is the Passover sacrifice of Yehowah, Who passed over the houses of the Children of Israel in Egypt when He struck the Egyptians and delivered our households."
- ✧ The people bowed their heads and worshipped, then they went and did just as Yehowah had commanded Moses and Aaron.

☆ **Passover night.**

- ✧ At midnight Yehowah struck **all the firstborn** of the land of Egypt, both human and animal. There was not a house in Egypt where there was not one dead and there was a great cry in Egypt.
- ✧ Pharaoh arose in the night and called Moses and Aaron by night and said. “Rise and go out from among my people, both you and the children of Israel. Go and serve Yehowah as you have said. Take your flocks and your herds, as you have said, and be gone, bless me also.”
- ✧ The Egyptians urged the people to go out of the land in haste, saying, “**We shall all be dead.**”
- ✧ The Children of Israel gathered what they had and departed in Haste as God had said. [\[Exodus 11:1, Exodus 12:39\]](#)
- ✧ The Children of Israel had done as Moses had said, and they had asked the Egyptians for treasure, and God had given them favor in the sight of the Egyptians who granted them anything they requested. So they plundered Egypt just as God had said. [\[Exodus 11:2-3\]](#)